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Mary McLeod Bethune Day Academy Public Charter School



MINUTES
Board of Trustees Meeting
Thursday, March 9, 2023

Call to Order

The Board of Trustees meeting was held virtually via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by presiding Chair Patricia Callis.

Roll Call: Chair Patricia Callis, Mrs. Jimia Williams, Mrs. Pamela Cole, Mr. Delmar Parks, Mrs. Amanita Ahmadu, Mrs. Jasmine Tucker and Executive Director, Dr. Linda McKay, Ex-officio. The following member was absent: Ms. Azura Mason. A quorum was present.

Staff present: Dr. Edwin Acevedo, Mrs. Johanna Mamiam, Mrs. Stacii Bryson, Ms. Elizabeth Hines and Ms. Mary Bunn

Public Comment

There was a call for public comment, but there was none.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes

There being no objection to the minutes, a motion was made and properly seconded to approve the November 15, 2022 Board Minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

Stacii Bryson, Finance Director, presented the finance report. The financial report included the SY 2021/2022 Financial Audit and the SY 2022/2023 unaudited statement of financial position (Balance Sheet) as of December 31, 2022 that reflects almost \$4.8 million dollars in cash and \$200K in receivables. Mrs. Bryson said that there have been minor adjustments within various expense line items, overall the effect is a small decrease in total expenses lowering the deficit. She said that the cash on hand from the beginning of the year will be used for any deficit remaining at the end of the year.

Following discussion on the financial report, a motion was moved and properly seconded, to accept the financial report as presented. The motion carried.

Executive Director's Report

Dr. McKay reported that the school has reinstated masking for the early childhood program. Dr. McKay acknowledged Ms. Elizabeth Hines, Assistant Principal/IB Coordinator for facilitating the IB reauthorization process. She said that teachers would participate in IB training on March 8th, 9th and 10th. Dr. McKay provided an update on the facility search for the 16th Street campus. She said that the school is in negotiations for the purchase of the Walter Reed Mansions and that James Taylor is the new Realty Manager. Presently, 325 students are enrolled at MMBDA. Fifteen (15) students new to the United States enrolled in December. She informed the committee of the installation of solar panels at the Brookland campus this spring.

Principal's Report

16th Street Campus

Principal Mariam provided an update on academics and upcoming school events at the 16th Street campus. She reported that an achievement plan is being developed and reviewed to improve performance in K-5th grades in math and ELA. Also, coaching, modeling and peer collaboration takes place weekly to support teachers in instruction implementation. IB learning profiles are awarded every month to teachers and students.

Brookland Campus

Principal Acevedo provided an update on academics and upcoming school events at the Brookland campus. He shared semester two schedule and the iReady and Edulastic reports. Dr. Acevedo informed the Board of new hires. Teacher conferences will be held on March 8, 2023 and IB Training will be held on March 9-11, 2023. He said that the March newsletter will be going out on Friday

Board Retreat

Mrs. Williams said that a date has not been set for the upcoming board retreat. The committee is presently looking for a place to hold the retreat.

Adoption of Revised Policies

Ms. Hines said that MMBDA's mission statement is being rephrased and the strategic plan is being reviewed for renewal. The strategic plan is on the Board Drive. This is the area you want to work on. Members were requested to vote "aye" or "nay" on the revised policies. Ms. Hines said that a folder would be created for members to vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

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